

REMARKSThe Claim Amendments

Applicants have included a complete listing of the claims.

None of these amendments adds new matter. Their entry is requested.

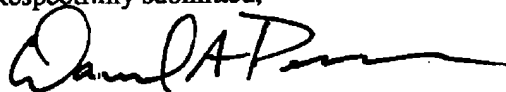
The Response

The Notice states that a proper status identifier for claims 4, 5, 8, 9, 12, and 13 should be supplied. Applicants have replaced the term "Previously amended" with the identifier "Previously presented." The notice also states that an attempt was made to delete a semicolon in claim 19 without the use of double brackets. A proper deletion was in place in the April 26, 2006 Reply that was via facsimile transmission. If the facsimile transmission and/or the scanning at the PTO should compromise the double bracketing that is in place, applicants request that the Examiner treat the semicolon in claim 19 as deleted.

Conclusion

Applicants request that the Examiner enter the above amendments, consider the matters taken up in the remarks, and allow the claims to pass to issue. Should the Examiner deem expedient a telephone discussion to further the prosecution of the above application, Applicants request that the Examiner contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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